STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 2001-02

January 18, 2001

PORT CLYDE WATER DISTRICT Application for Approval of SECURITIES Issues of Securities (§902) (\$6,800) ORDER APPROVING ISSUES OF

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

On January 2, 2001, Port Clyde Water District (the District) filed with the Commission its application for approval for a previously issued loan for \$6,800 (\$5,100 currently outstanding), at an annual rate of 6 percent. The remaining debt will be paid over the period 2001 to 2005 for a total loan period of not greater than seven years.

The District required these funds for the purposes of installing 2500 feet of pipe to connect a new well to its existing line. Consumers Maine Water Company performed the construction and provided the financing as of June 11, 1999.

Having reviewed the application of the District, together with data filed in support of it, it is the opinion of the Commission that the proceeds of the issuance of the note were required in good faith for the purposes enumerated in 35-A M.R.S.A. § 901. In approving this securities issue, consistent with normal practice and pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 902(4), the Commission does not imply approval of the District's capital needs or capitalization ratio for ratemaking purposes, nor does this Order limit or restrict the powers of the Commission in determining or fixing any rate.

We remind the District that it should seek approval <u>prior</u> to entering into a loan agreement with a term of longer than 12 months.

Accordingly, we

ORDER

- 1. That the District's loan of \$6,800, used solely for the purposes described in this Order, and at a rate of 6 percent per year through 2005 for a term not to exceed seven years is approved; and
- 2. That the Administrative Director is hereby directed to mail an attested copy of this Order to interested parties and to close this Docket.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 18th day of January, 2001.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR:

Welch Nugent Diamond

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 - 2. <u>Appeal of a final decision</u> of the Commission may be taken to the Law Court by filing, within 30 days of the date of the Order, a Notice of Appeal with the Administrative Director of the Commission, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(1)-(4) and the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 73, et seq.
 - 3. <u>Additional court review</u> of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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